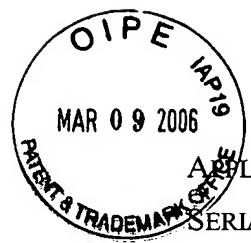


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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- Response (6 pgs);
- Copy of Troen et al., J. Nutr., vol.136: 189-194 (2006) (6 pgs);
- Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg.);
- Check #22151 in the amount of \$1020.00; and
- Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 21629-004. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

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